

# THE SALT LAKE HERALD

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## LOCAL BRIEFS.

LARS M. OLSON, of Prio, has been appointed a notary public for Emery County.

THE G. A. B. will probably hold memorial services in honor of General Sheridan.

WELLS, FAROO & Co.'s shipments yesterday were: Ore, \$10,227.24; fine bars, \$22,178.

THREE messages at the Western Union Telegraph Office for William Green and Phillips Bros. & Co.

LAWSON BROS. & WILKINSON have moved their real estate office a few doors south of the Union Block.

THERE will be a rehearsal of Mr. Sampson of Omaha, at the Theatre this evening. The ladies will meet at 7 o'clock and the gentlemen at 8.

THE TELEPHONE Company has started to work on its new West Temple Street line. The poles are being erected in the center of the street.

THE MARRIAGE certificates of W. H. Jones and Melvinia Fletcher and Joshua L. Davis and Elsie M. Olson, all of this city, have been filed with the clerk of the Probate Court.

ON THURSDAY night the stockholders of the Tenth Ward Co-op. held a meeting at the ward schoolhouse, and elected the old officers for another year. The institution is in a flourishing condition.

COLONEL MURRAY will have a call of real estate at his office on Tuesday evening next. Parties having property which they desire to dispose of at once are requested to call on Mr. Murray.

A NUMBER of bicyclists intend taking a run to Grantsville and return on Sunday. If the roads are not favorable the cars can be taken at Garfield. Those intending to join in the trip may confer with H. Pembroke.

MR. WATSON had a hard time to keep his sprinkling carts going on Tuesday. Owing to the supply of canal water being temporarily shut off, eight carts had to draw water from the spill on East Temple Street.

IN THE case of the United States vs. F. A. Nims et al., which came up in the Third District Court yesterday the plaintiff was allowed until October 1st to file and serve a statement and motion for a new trial.

REUBEN CHERRIER, the proprietor of a harness and saddle store on Second South Street, has assigned to W. L. Pickard for the benefit of his creditors. His liabilities are estimated at about \$2,400, while his assets will probably amount to \$1,000.

THE NATIONALS and Salt Lakes meet at Washington Park this afternoon, when it is expected that the greatest baseball game of the season will be played. Games will be called at 1 o'clock sharp, as the Salt Lakes leave for the north at 4 o'clock.

THE YOUNG man Nephew Wagstaff, who was killed at Ogden on Sunday last, did not meet with the accident in a ruin as first reported, but he met his death through riding an unmanageable horse. The animal fell over backwards with him and the horn of the saddle striking him in the pit of the stomach, inflicted injuries which proved fatal. He was buried in Tooele Tuesday.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, two ladies who were returning to town from D. & K. G. depot, noticed a small bundle wrapped in a newspaper lying in some weeds near the Baptist church. They picked the bundle up, and found that it contained a totie. Sheriff Burt was immediately notified, and took possession of the bundle. A case of abortion is undoubtedly behind this, and efforts will be made to get to the bottom of the affair.

Governor West yesterday pardoned R. B. Whit, who, on March 12th, 1886, was sentenced to five years imprisonment for grand larceny. The petition asking for executive clemency was signed by Benjamin Bachman, W. N. Jensenberry, J. W. Turner, A. G. Buchanan, V. L. Halliday, L. W. Richards, L. G. Richards, LeGrande Young, F. W. Driggs, Jr., J. K. Hills, C. S. Varnan and O. W. Powers.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, a Chinaman who was in his garden on Third East Street, turned the water into a ditch leading to his premises. After a short time the water was turned off, and upon going out to investigate he was met on the sidewalk by a white man, who, without any provocation, it is alleged, laid the Chinaman out with a club. The police are after the assailant, and he will probably be given a chance to explain his conduct to Judge Pyper today.

QUITE a number of persons who were expected to attend the meeting at the Chamber of Commerce last evening were unable to be present, and the attendance was very small. In an informal way, however, Mr. Jones gave some interesting facts and information concerning the State of Chihuahua, in North Mexico. It is believed that a syndicate can be formed here, and sufficient capital raised to purchase a valuable tract of land in that country, and another meeting will probably be held before long.

"The Bottom Knocked Out" Of prices by Goldsmith & Co. See their ad. in to-day's HERALD.

Dalieson Warm Beverages. Those delectations served to the thirsty and cold at the Occidental are delicious, pure and superior. First-class wines, liquors, beers, ales and cigars. Family supplies a specialty.

ARK & MURPHY, Proprietors. Mark McKimmin's Livery Stable, Main Street, opposite Postoffice.

It will pay you to read F. Auerbach & Bro's. large advertisement.

THE D. & B. W. COAL AGENCIES have removed their Coal Office to 165 S. Main street, in office Midland Investment Company and Real Estate office. Orders for the genuine Pleasant Valley Anthracite, Blacksmith, Charnock, Coke, Wood, Pig Iron, Black, Etc., solicited and promptly filled. Telephone No. 179.

A. L. WILLIAMS, Agent and Manager, 165 S. Main Street, Isaacson's genuine SURE PAR, at DRUMBOY'S.

## MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

No Quorum Present at the Council Last Night.

MR. LOWRIE HEARD FROM.

Loss of Water in City Creek Canyon. The Police Uniforming Bill.

It was expected that the franchise question, consideration of which has been so long deferred by the City Council, would be fully discussed last night at the special meeting. At 7:30 o'clock, but seven members of the Council, including the Mayor, were present, and after waiting until 8 o'clock in the vain hope that another member might come in, an adjournment was taken until Friday night.

Councilor Young stated that there was a matter which he desired to call the attention of the Council to. The chief engineer of the fire department he stated, had made some measurements in City Creek Canyon, at Pleasant Valley, from which it appeared that about one-third of the water in the creek seemed to disappear in some way between Pleasant Valley and the reservoirs. He thought that the matter should be investigated at once, and accurate measurements made. If the statement of the engineer was correct, the solution of the water question was within their grasp. The loss of the water was probably due to the marshy land in the vicinity of Pleasant Valley, which absorbed it, and to other causes, which could be obviated by the construction of an aqueduct.

ENGINEER LOWRIE HEARD FROM.

Mayor Armstrong yesterday received from Engineer Lowrie, drawings to illustrate the construction of the proposed main sewer. The drawings were accompanied by the following letter:

DENVER, Colo., August 4th, 1888.

Hon. Francis Armstrong:

My Dear Sir—I now see that I have misunderstood your wants. When (as in Salt Lake) I verbally recommended an extension of your outlet-sewer down the river some four miles, and looked over the route. In view of the long stretches of light fall, I advised an increase of size to 30 inches, inside diameter, and the connection with one of your surface ditches to get a good water carriage, until such time as your sewage flow may suffice. Also, as the work will necessarily be close to the surface, sometimes above it, in a friable soil. I advised the use of eight-inch walls. Now, all this varies but slightly from the plans before made, you and the chief of design, I thought that all that remained for me to do was to inspect the profile of your actual survey of the route I had looked over, and verify the correctness of the impressions then obtained, and report to you. This I did, and wrote to Mr. Fox about July 11th, confirming the verbal report made while in your city.

I now send drawings to illustrate the construction of this sewer. I will send full specifications on Monday. As to the outlet itself, the former plans will answer. I estimate this work will cost, including iron covers and a few necessary slant connections, about \$3.50 per foot. Very Respectfully,

H. C. LOWRIE.

The friends of the bill to uniform the police say that they intend to bring it up again at the first opportunity, and have it either killed or passed. Councilor Sowles says that there is no city in the United States of the size of Salt Lake where the police are not uniformed, and he does not see that this city should be an exception.

WORK on the new canal is being pushed ahead rapidly, and a large number of men and teams are kept busy.

## PROBATE COURT.

Orders Made By Judge Smith Yesterday.

The following business was transacted in the Probate Court yesterday: Estate of John Taylor, deceased; claims of William Thompson and T. E. Taylor allowed.

Estate of Levi E. Riter, deceased, orders made of publication of notice to creditors and appointing L. S. Hills, M. E. Cummings and James Sharp appraisers.

Estate of Leila Kaighn, deceased, order made appointing M. M. Kaighn administrator upon filing a bond in the sum of \$5,000.

Estate of Joseph W. Johnson, deceased; claims of Elizabeth Robinson for \$205 and of M. J. W. Covington for \$242 allowed; order made appointing time and place for settlement of final account, and to hear petition for distribution.

## Challenges.

We, the employees of H. A. Tuckett's candy factory, do hereby challenge any nipped baseball nine of confectioners in the city to play a friendly game of ball at any time and place they may name. (Signed) H. W. SMITH, Captain.

## SPECIAL NOTICE.

To close out the balance of our stock we are prepared to make great sacrifices in prices, as all goods must be closed out during the month of August. We request all parties holding our due bills to present them before August 31st, 1888.

BARNES & DAVID.

Keep Cool.

By using Arbogast & Trumbo's celebrated Boston Ice Cream.

To Sheep and Stock Men.

You will save money by buying your Fleas Head Meal of Bailey & Sons, opposite the Postoffice. Carload lots served.

Special Floor Paint.

Quick and hard drying. For sale at Sears & Liddle's, 33 W. First South.

The "Petite"

Photograph, \$1.50 per dozen, at Fox & Symons.

All the Rage.

Very much used by the young people. The "Petite" Photograph, \$1.50 per dozen at Fox & Symons.

## BEFORE JUDGE PYPER.

The Bad Boys to be Tried To-day—Other Matters.

Nick Burnard was tried before Judge Pyper yesterday for permitting a nuisance to exist on his premises. He was found guilty, and fined \$10.

John Boyla was convicted of petit larceny, and fined \$30.

George Hadley, J. Emmitt and J. Harrington, the three tramps who were caught trespassing on the Utah Central grounds, were sent up for ten days each.

John Corbitt, William McCord and John Parsons, three plain drunks, were assessed \$5 each.

The cases of Fred Tremayne, Charles O'Connor, A. Gilberg, Thomas Croft, R. Conk and Newton Curtis, the bad boys against whom there are several charges of larceny, were set for 2 p. m. today.

Elmer Ellsworth will be tried for disturbing the peace to-morrow.

## Election Figures.

Following is the showing of the People and Liberal votes in this city for 1887 and 1888, based on the vote for the first name on each ticket:

Precincts.	Peoples		Liberals
	1887.	1888	
1st.	304	284	176
2nd.	427	421	398
3rd.	392	385	46
4th.	392	379	59
5th.	231	213	317
Total.	1,652	1,562	991

The Liberals gained 93 over last year, and the People lost 105.

## Back From Denver.

City Treasurer G. F. Whitney and wife, returned last evening from a three weeks Colorado trip, the greater part of which was quietly spent in Denver, seeing the sights and observing the signs of progress in that city.

Mr. Whitney said he had enjoyed himself immensely, and he shows evidence of having been greatly benefited by the trip. As treasurer of Salt Lake he was the recipient of polite attentions from Denver municipal officials, the treasurer of that city especially being courteous and kind. He was greatly struck with the police patrol system of Denver, and the control of city prisoners. The real estate boom continues unabated at Denver, the city being steadily extending towards the east, a cable line being in process of building to the eastern suburb. As yet Denver only operates a horse-car system, but Mr. Whitney says the horses "go." The cars run every seven minutes, and they are kept running from 6 a. m. to 11:30 p. m. at that interval. The cable roads will be running very soon, the underground cable system being the one employed. A good deal of money has been spent experimenting with the electric systems, but now it seems to have been abandoned. Mr. Whitney is thoroughly delighted with Denver, which he says he fears is about twenty-five years in advance of Salt Lake.

## SPECIAL FAIR PREMIUMS.

Hereford and Devon to be Given Handsome Awards.

The Denver Agricultural and Manufacturing Society some time ago announced that a prominent feature of the last fair held in this city, and one which contributed largely to its success, was the liberal donation by public spirited citizens of special prizes; and believing that the general prosperity of the people extended at present warranted a greater expectation in this regard than ever before.

The committee appointed a committee to solicit from the public and well-to-do citizens assistance to the coming fair in the shape of special premiums for the best exhibits of home productions as they might see proper to make. This committee was just in the act of preparing for the canvass, when the following letter was received by the president of the society, Mr. John E. Winder, which may be said to have virtually set the ball in motion:

SALT LAKE CITY, August 7, 1888.

John E. Winder, Esq., President D. A. & M. Socy, Salt Lake City.

Sir—We, the undersigned, wishing to promote an interest in the stock department of the coming fair, hereby propose to donate a calf each of the Hereford and Devon breeds, to your society, said calves to be put in and to be selected from the strains of blood in our herds and to be sold at auction to the highest cash bidder—said calf to take place on the last day of the fair, or at any time more convenient to those concerned, proceeds of sale to be awarded as special cash premiums as follows:

For best exhibits of Hereford and Devon breeds of cattle, two-thirds of the proceeds of sale to be awarded in prize to such of those animals as we of special merit.

The remaining one-third of said proceeds to constitute special cash premiums for the best exhibits of home products, as determined by the judges. Provided, however, that the undersigned may substitute instead of the above mentioned animals equivalent value in cash, to be distributed at our discretion.

We make this donation under the condition that with the premiums awarded therefrom a certificate be given by the society.

Very respectfully,

WILLIAM & SONS.

BEN R. ELDRIDGE.

Various members of the board have received assurances of similar contributions to the above, but the gentlemen named are the first to put their offer in shape. The exact dates of the fair are yet undetermined, but the board has resolved that between the 1st and 10th of October the exhibition must be begun. It is understood the contractors for the Exposition building now in course of erection on the Tenth Ward Square, are under bonds to complete the structure sufficiently for fair purposes before the time mentioned.

Garfield Coach and Lake Park.

At both resorts Sam Levy's Cigars are to be had. Take none other.

Try the Great Milk Shake at Arbogast & Trumbo's.

Take Notice.

Great reduction in emigrant fares from Europe. For information inquire at No. 32 Second South Street, Salt Lake City.

J. A. PAXMAN, Emigrant Agent.

Notice of Damages.

We will continue to sell at private sale, the Furniture damaged by fire. Five cases of new and stylish goods can be seen at the warehouse. Call at office, No. 149 S. Main Street.

BARNARD BROS.

## THE MURDER CHARGE.

Brought Against H. Spencer and G. Stringam.

AFTER A LAPSE OF 29 YEARS.

Both Men Tell Their Stories to a "Herald" Reporter—Street Comment.

The public will remember that a few weeks ago Howard O. Spencer was arrested at Liberty Park by Detectives Franks and Cannon on the charge of unlawful exhalation. It will also be remembered how Warden Pratt had run across the man accidentally during the celebration on the 4th of July last, found out the place where he worked and finally brought about the arrest. Although it is true that there was a warrant issued in the Second District charging the offense above mentioned, it turns out that this was not all there was to the case, and the events of yesterday and the preceding night have brought to light all that had been held back.

It appears that Warden Pratt has been for about a year past working up a case charging Spencer with murder, and the arrest of George Stringam as an accessory, at this ranch near the mouth of Blingham Canyon, on Tuesday night, made public the result of that officer's labors.

## THE CRIME CHARGED.

against Spencer is the murder of Sergeant Ralph Pike, Tenth Infantry, U. S. A., on the afternoon of August 11th, 1859—just twenty-nine years ago Saturday next. There had been trouble between Spencer and the soldier, and while there are none who deny that it was he who fired the fatal shot, yet there are dozens of his friends who come forward to present the case and show extenuating circumstances. The charge against Stringam is that he conspired with Spencer to commit the crime, and that he was the one who fired the shot. The case is a sensational one, and the public is very much interested in it. The other side of the story may be read below in Stringam's own words.

## PUBLIC INTEREST RAN HIGH.

as soon as the news of the arrest spread, and when the two men were taken before Commissioner Norrell yesterday morning there was a curious crowd on hand to look on for details. These were, however, doomed to disappointment, for as soon as the defendants had been arraigned and had pleaded not guilty, they were handcuffed together and driven out to the Pen, with the understanding that their preliminary examination would be held on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

With a view to getting the full details of an affair that occurred many years ago and at the same time giving the defendants a chance to tell their version of the story, a Herald reporter arrived with a pen and ink at the Pen, and was permitted to see the two men.

Howard O. Spencer was first seen. He is a tall and rather raw-boned man, over six feet in height and 50 years of age. He appeared very calm, and when asked to give his version of the affair, he was very reluctant to talk. When drawn out, however, he began to talk very freely about the causes which led up to the affair, and told the story of his first trouble with Sergeant Pike in about three words:

One cold, stormy day in March, I believe in the year 1859, I went from this city to Kuan Valley, Tooele County, to drive in some stock for my uncle, Daniel Spencer. I was accompanied by Alf Chitt, now dead. There were some of General Johnston's soldiers out there and they had been killing the cattle, several of which had been shot before I arrived. Chitt had been drinking a little and was feeling rather out of sorts, so when we were met by one of the officers who was with the detachment and asked some questions by him, I guess we didn't answer just to suit him.

That evening I went to feed the cattle when Sergeant Pike marched up to me with a little squad of soldiers and ordered me to drive the cattle away. I told him I didn't want to, or wouldn't do it, or something of that sort, and he then struck me over the head with his gun. I threw up my pitchfork to ward off the blow, but the handle was broken into three pieces and the gun came down upon my head, breaking my skull and pressing the pieces of broken bone into the brain. I had some sense, I say, when this happened, and I knew I was in a bad way, and I knew no more.

## A TERRIBLE BLOW.

Spencer indicated how he threw up his fork, showing that he held it in both hands, in front of and above the head, in a position like that of the "prime parry" of a soldier's bayonet exercise. Spencer then showed the reporter the result of the blow. There is a deep ditch running along the upper right side of the head extending from the forehead clear back to the occipital bone. This is about an inch and a half wide and about half an inch deep. It is a great wonder that the man ever regained his feet.

I don't know, continued Spencer, whether he struck me with the butt of the gun or with the barrel. It was many days before I recovered consciousness, but my friends tell me that the soldiers were carrying me off, when Luke Johnson, a friend of mine, happened along and seeing my condition, told the soldiers that he was my physician and he would take charge of me. They carried me to Johnson's house and the next day brought me to Salt Lake. My head bled, but the pieces of dead bone left in decayed and the wound healed. I told the doctors that I could not go about with my head in that condition, so they cut open the wound and took out three big pieces of dead bone. The doctors kept two pieces and I kept the other. The piece I kept was about an inch long and two lines wide.

When asked to give his version of the killing of Sergeant Pike, Spencer refused to talk about it. He said that he had been instructed by his lawyer not to talk to anyone about it, and he had nothing further to say until the examination comes off.

"Is there anything in the story that Sergeant Pike drew a knife on you on the occasion of the killing?" asked the reporter.

"No. He didn't draw his knife," was the reply.

Spencer said further that he had understood that the matter was settled years ago, and now that it had come up again he wanted it settled one way or the other right away. "I never got over that blow and I never will. If I am to suffer, all right; but I have suffered a dozen deaths already," were the words with which he closed the interview.

## GEORGE STRINGAM.

Spencer was but 21 years of age at the time of the occurrence related above. He now has a family of four children.

Stringam said that he saw Spencer shoot Sergeant Pike one day in the summer of '59. Spencer and I had been going together for a good deal. I was walking with Howard past the house where he lived, on the corner now occupied by the St. Elmo Hotel, when his cousin, Eddie Spencer (now dead), came out and told him that Sergeant Pike was in town. We walked up the street to the old Elephant corner, when I crossed over to the Walker Bros. corner and Spencer went on up the street. Sergeant Pike came down the west side of Main Street with a detachment of soldiers and when near Temple's store crossed the street. Just as they reached the sidewalk in front of the Salt Lake House, Spencer stepped up to one of them and said: Is your name Sergeant Pike? The soldier replied, "Yes, sir," and Spencer then

threw his pistol and fired. The ball struck a knife, which the Sergeant carried in a scabbard on his right hip, and shattering it, carried a part of the blade into the body. The bullet went clear through.

Spencer then ran across the street into the alleyway just north of Temple's store, and made his escape by running westward across blocks. "I ran into the alley myself," said Stringam, "to escape from the soldiers. For as soon as the Sergeant was shot they all drew their pistols. A lieutenant who was standing by commanded them to halt, and they put their arms down, but when they told the officer that the sergeant had been killed, he commanded them to go ahead. They took up the chase after Spencer, but were unsuccessful. I ran several blocks to see whether they had caught him or not, but as some one told me that Bill Hickman had taken up the chase with a couple of revolvers, I decided to return to town for safety."

"Were you not around with Spencer a good deal just before this occurrence?" asked the reporter.

"Yes," replied Stringam.

"Did you make a trip to Camp Floyd with him to look for Sergeant Pike?"

"We went there," was the reply, "to look for cattle for the Church. While we were there Spencer asked a soldier where Pike was and was told that he was not about the camp."

Stringam said that Spencer had had him out of the Church about fourteen years ago, and since then the two had not been together.

He said, also, that Henry Heath, the night watchman, and Steve Taylor were witnesses to the murder of Pike by Spencer. Pike was in town for the purpose of attending the funeral of the assault made by him upon Spencer. Spencer was indicted soon after the shooting, but as all the indictments found by that grand jury were questioned, he never came to trial. Spencer's defense will, doubtless, be based upon justifying circumstances, and the unbalanced state of his mind. If there is anything remaining unexplained in this case, it will likely be forthcoming at the examination on Friday.

There are vague rumors to the effect that an effort will be made to show that Spencer was connected with the killing of Dr. Robinson, but nothing authoritative could be learned of this.

Charged With Rape.

A short time ago a woman named Mrs. Hadley rented from J. P. Nelson, proprietor of an employment agency, a room in a building situated a short distance below the City Hall corner. It is alleged that yesterday afternoon while Mrs. Hadley was absent from home, Nelson went to her room and committed a rape upon her 15-year-old daughter, Lizzie. Upon Mrs. Hadley's return, she was informed by her daughter of what had occurred, and the mother then went to the police station where she made a complaint charging Nelson with rape. He was arrested a short time after, and is now in jail. He claims to be entirely innocent of the charge, and asserts his ability to prove it.

The case will be investigated before Judge Pyper this morning.

## THE RAILROADS.

The Salt Lake & Fort Douglas Obstacles Right of Way.

THE BAND BENEFIT.

The following programme has been arranged for the Garfield Band concert at the Beach on Friday, the 10th inst.:

PART I—4 P. M.

1—Overture, "William Tell," Rossini.  
2—Coronation March, "A. B. C.," Hartman.  
3—Selection from "Oberon," Offenbach.  
4—Selection by Sixteenth Ward Glee Club.

PART II—4 P. M.

1—Overture, "Romantic," Keler.  
2—"Rocking on the Willow," Arranged by Herbert.  
3—Selection by Sixteenth Ward Glee Club.  
4—"Alice Where art thou," Ascher.  
5—Clairnet solo, Walter Simms.  
6—"The Separation," Rosini.  
7—"Good-Bye Lured One," White.  
8—Selection by Sixteenth Ward Glee Club.  
9—"X-Phonic solo," "Gulls Talk Back," works, Arranged by S. Bostice.  
A. Beasley.  
Dancing, Grand Illumination.

NOTES.

It is expected that Felt & Egan's excursion on the 17th will bring a large crowd of people up from the south. They will go to Garfield Beach.

All the machinery needed for testing the Garfield overhead cable system, arrived here yesterday. The test will be made in about a week.

The mail from the west was delayed a short time yesterday, on account of the C. P. being late.

Yesterday the employees of the D. & K. G. had an excursion to Lake Park, a 50-cent rate was given, and an immense crowd went out.

The A. O. U. W. excursion to Garfield Beach yesterday was a grand success. It is said that between 2,000 and 3,000 persons went out, and quite a number stayed for the ball in the evening.

GRANT BROS. run buses from both depots to the White House, Callen, Continental, Cliff House, Valley House, St. Elmo and Spencer House. See turnouts for tourists, Telephone 211.